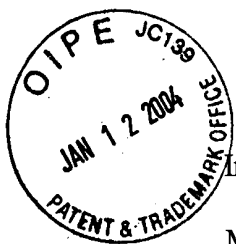


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This is a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 to withdraw a holding of abandonment in the subject application. While it is believed that no fee is necessary for the filing of this Petition, should a fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fee to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

Applicants have received a Notice Of Abandonment for the above-identified application dated December 12, 2003, indicating that the application was abandoned for failure to file a reply to the Notice to Filing Missing Parts mailed August 28, 2001.

In fact, Applicants filed a Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application, together with the surcharge fee of \$130.00, on ~~October~~ 5, 2001. A copy of the Response, together with a copy of the submitted Declaration, is attached as Exhibit A. A

copy of the date-stamped postcard evidencing its receipt by the Patent Office is attached as Exhibit B.

In view of the foregoing submissions, Applicants submit that a Response To Notice To File Mission Parts was timely filed and respectfully request withdrawal of the holding of abandonment in the subject application.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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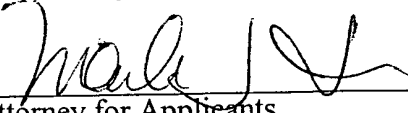
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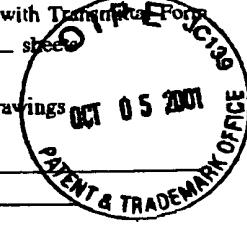
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